

June 12, 2007

TO:

Dallas County Commissioners Court

THROUGH:

Shannon Brown, Purchasing Agent

FROM:

Linda Boles, Purchasing Supervisor

SUBJECT:

Request for Qualifications for Inmate Phone Service Provider

RFQ No. 2007-082-2822

## Background/Issue

On May 10, 2007 and by authorization of the Commissioners Court, six (6) proposals were received and opened for the aforementioned RFQ. The six (6) firms submitting proposals were as follows: Consolidated Public Services, Digital Solutions Inc., Global Tel\*Link Corporation, Public Communications Services Inc., Securus Technologies, and Unisys Solutions. The purpose of this briefing is to recommend the firms determined susceptible for award consideration and authorize staff to proceed to step two of the approved High Technology procedures established for this solicitation.

## Operational Impact

The proposals were distributed to the assigned evaluation committee members for their evaluation and scoring based on the RFQ rating criteria. The rating criteria and allotted points are as follows:

	Criteria_	Max. Points to be assigned
I.	Company Profile	20
П.	System Functionality	45
III.	Transition/Implementation Plan & Timeline	20
IV.	M/WBE Participation/Compliance	15

In accordance with the RFQ, firms that receive seventy (70) points or above would be considered susceptible for award consideration and qualify to proceed to step two of the RFQ process. As a result and based on the committee's consolidated scores, four (4) firms were rated, from a technical and overall scoring standpoint, as the most qualified and susceptible to move forward to Step two of the RFQ process. They are as follows: Global Tel\*Link, Public Communications Services Inc., Securus Technologies, and Unisys Solutions. In accordance with the RFQ requirements and Section 262.030 "High Technology" of the Texas Local Government Code, attached for the Court's confidential review is a copy of the committee's scores and firm's overall rating.

Step two will include rate/revenue consideration, interviews, system overviews and contract compliance. Upon conclusion, the evaluation committee will submit to the Commissioners Court a recommendation on the firms deemed most qualified to proceed to step three (BAFO's/contract negotiations) of the RFQ process.

## Recommendation

The Purchasing Department recommends that the Commissioners Court approve the Evaluation Committee's recommendation to render Global Tel\*Link, Public Communications Services Inc., Securus Technologies, and Unisys Solutions susceptible firms to proceed to Step two of the approved High Technology procedures established for RFQ No. 2007-082-2822.

Should the Court concur a Court Order will be scheduled on the next available Formal Agenda.

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